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TECH THAT KEEPS PEOPLE CONNECTED.

Written By Becky Hall, Special Projects Sales and Support, Hargray

While nothing tops face to face interactions, technology can be an excellent tool for keeping remote family and friends connected. Many people rely on video chat software such as, Facetime, Skype or Zoom to see their loved ones. While some people are lucky enough to live close to family and can see them in person whenever they would like, other's circumstances don't allow that. It can be challenging to be far away from family, but technology can help ease the pain of long-distance.

There are extensions for your browser that allows remote friends to watch movies together on Amazon, Netflix, YouTube, or Hulu. The extension will enable you to play the video at the same time and video chat while you stream. This way, you can discuss and critique your favorite movies and television shows as you would in person. Grandparents and parents can even read

books to their children virtually. Updated Portal, Facebook's new video-calling device, uses an artificial intelligence smart camera to add to the story time experience. The story time setting feature allows the narrator to appear on-screen as well as music, animation, and special effects that help tell the narrative.

United Through Reading is a non-profit that aims to help military families who are separated feel closer with reading. Military parents can record themselves reading a book out loud for their children to listen to. This fantastic technology helps give back a little bit of normalcy to military member's children during playtime and bedtime.



There are many unique ways to go above and beyond a text message or a phone call. Long-distance couples can get creative and use bracelets that buzz, or lamps that light up when you touch them, to show the other partner that they are

thinking of them. Let's not forget our furry family members. Being away from our pets isn't easy either. Smart camera systems allow you to check in on your pet while you are away from home. On some devices, you can even click a button on an app to throw them a treat through a dispenser.

As more people migrate away from their hometowns and take on new surroundings, technology serves as a staple in keeping everyone connected to family and friends. We've come a long way since a traditional phone call, and these new devices can help make us feel closer to the people we can't always see.

The Place to Leave Your Worries Behind!

A Letter from the Editor

I am a music lover. I was raised on Jimmy Buffett, Temptations, the Rat Pack, mixed in with The Beatles, Classical music and everything else in between. My parents wanted to make sure I experienced music and all of its glory (cue my dad belting out the Glory of Love, by Peter Cetera). As a musician I was taught that music provides us the outlet and opportunity to sum up our feelings at any particular moment through sound. But it also reaches deep into our memory banks and allows us to reminisce. We are tied to music from our childhood, teenage years, college years, family road trips, vacations etc....

If I am honest, I am pretty sure somewhere in my jeep I have a CD book full of homemade mixed collections that were mostly used for vacations to the beach. My beach memories are embedded and intertwined with music so much so, that one summer my mom and I made up a song in a long car ride about living on our favorite island.

After living in the low country for nearly 20 years, it is hard to dismiss anything musically related to island life, or the rising anthem of the film Prince of Tides, playing distantly in the back of my mind as I cross over the salt marsh and take in the sweeping views. Every morning on my drive in to Fripp Island, I find myself mesmerized by the intracoastal water way and breathing in the pluff mud and sea salt air. If I am lucky, I catch a glimpse of a shrimp boat just off the coast, that makes me contemplate dinner--- and it never gets old! Perhaps this is why people come to the low country. The low country draws you in with its beauty. Pat Conroy in his book *The Great Santini* wrote:

"At sunset we watch the saltwater tides rising with perfect congruence to the rising moon. No matter the time of day, the creek spreads out in the thrown coinage of sunset, bright as a centerpiece in the transcendental green of the great salt marsh. Everything we notice is a timepiece calling out the muffled drumroll of our own mortal days..."

The island life offered, is what compels you to slow down and relax. Where time is decided by the tides and travel is impacted by whether you caught the bridge traffic or not. It's in the quiet moments, where you find yourself slowing down to take in a sunset and connect with nature as a dolphin breaks the water. It is in the experience that you discover what Fripp Island is about.

It's not just a resort and an island destination for the travelers. Fripp Island is a small jewel along the Carolina Coast where legend tells us the story of privateer Captain John Fripp, who used the island as a base for attacks on Spanish and French ships in defense of the new English settlement. King Charles II of England is said to have rewarded him with a land grant that included Fripp Island.

It's an island with gently sloping white, sandy beaches, mighty oaks, palms, pines, vast marshes with meandering tidal creeks, and an abundance of wildlife. Fripp Island welcomes you to fill your days with activities or, do nothing at all. All at once you discover your pace is determined by the mystery of island time that's measured by golf cart transportation, and which pair of flip flops and sunglasses to wear. The island connects you to its rhythm of waves and the sounds of the sea. Fripp Island becomes the place for visitors and owners alike where they can leave their worries behind.

*"Cause now I'm knee deep in the water somewhere
Got the blue sky breeze blowin' wind through my hair
Only worry in the world
Is the tide gonna reach my chair
Sunrise, there's a fire in the sky
Never been so happy
Never felt so high
And I think I might have found me
my own kind of paradise..."*
---Zach Brown Band.

Erin

Erin Pickering
Communications Coordinator, FIPOA



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*Welcome New Owners
to Fripp Island!*

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CELEBRATING 40 YEARS

By Rebecca Climer, FICC Board President

I know a lot of us spend time thinking about what we would be doing if things were "normal." That is, if we weren't trying hard to stay safe and healthy in the middle of a worldwide pandemic. From the perspective of the FICC Board and membership, we know that we'd be in the midst of observing the 40th Anniversary of the Fripp Island Community Centre and All Faiths Chapel. For the information, below, I am relying on the book, "Fripp Island: A History," by our resident historian, Page Putnam Miller. In the early to mid-70s, a goal among many residents was to have a building for both worship and meetings.

A Church Committee had been formed by the Home Owners Association and they pressed the Fripp Island Development Committee to deliver on a previous promise to deed land for a chapel. This Church Committee established the practice of Wednesday evening Vespers services which were held at the Beach Club, occasionally in the bar! In 1978, a resident, Gini Reese, organized a choir to sing and that necessitated more use of the Beach Club space for choir practice. Soon, the group determined that the Island needed not only a dedicated home for Vespers, but a meeting space to accommodate the growing number of groups being organized on Fripp Island.

In 1979, residents Lou Cashdollar and Ron Yaw led a building fund campaign aimed at property owners both on and off the island. The initial request letter raised \$14,000, and the community gained confidence that they would be able to establish and support a Community Centre. In 1980, residents determined it was time to build a place of worship and a place for fellowship. They named the worship space the All Faiths Chapel to reflect the inclusiveness they desired. The fund drive that had begun in October of 1979, and by March of 1980, raised almost \$50,000. On Easter Sunday, 1980, the 32-member choir led the congregation from the Beach Club to the site of the Chapel by singing George Frideric Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus." A groundbreaking ceremony has held upon their arrival.

The residents continued the fundraising effort and on September 15, 1980 construction began on the chapel and the

original community centre which included a small meeting room, kitchen, restrooms, and an office. The first service was held on Thanksgiving in 1980.

We had hoped to recreate some of the highlights of the origins of the All Saints Chapel and Community Centre, but plans were derailed by the corona virus. I've reread the account of the establishment of the FICC many times over the last two years. I'm always struck by the commitment of the residents both in 1980, and today. The FICC exists to further the cultural, religious, and educational growth of the Island and is maintained almost entirely by volunteers. Our proceeds largely come from the generosity of our members through their support of our annual fund drives.

It's hard to see the parking lot empty and Hammet Hall going largely unused. We have reinstated Vespers and we have also made modifications to ensure safety and compliance with CDC recommendations. We are continuously monitoring new cases in Beaufort County along with the changing recommendations from national, state and local agencies. Here's hoping that you all stay safe and that sometime soon, we can all gather together again at the Community Centre!



Church on the Beach!

Sundays 9:00AM

CHURCH ON THE BEACH is back for our third summer on Fripp Island!

If you will be on island anytime before Labor Day, we would love to have you join us!

We meet at 9:00AM each Sunday in front of the Beach Club. Rev Todd Simonis leads an ecumenical casual family service. Flip Flops and cutoffs are the perfect attire! Please bring a chair or blanket to sit on. In this season of COVID-19, precautions are in place for your safety. A greeter in mask and gloves will provide a program or you can download it on your phone.

Communion has been cancelled and social distancing protocols are enforced.

While we all wrestle with these uncertain times, we invite you to come celebrate the one truth we can hold

The Glory of the Lord Shown Around Them.... Luke 2:9

CHURCH ON THE BEACH

Sunday 9am
in front of the Beach Club.

Please bring a chair or blanket to sit on.

DO YOU VISIT THE FIPOA WEBSITE?

www.frippislandliving.com

If you do not have a user name and password, send an email to contact@frippislandliving.com and we will get you set up.

Homeowners can find the following items on the website:

Online forms for vehicle decals and ARB. GM weekly updates, board meeting minutes and agendas, governing, financial and covenant documents, hurricane information, Island Directory, security information and so much more!

Continue to watch the website for updates and changes coming!



FRIPP ISLAND PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT

Fripp Island property owners know that the Public Service District is in charge of all water and sewer services on Fripp Island. Did you know the District also has several other functions, including: fire protection, emergency medical service, erosion control, and maintaining the Fripp Inlet bridge?



Over the past several years, the District has taken on several large capital projects aimed at upgrading and maintaining the Island's critical infrastructure to keep owners and guests safe and protected.

In April 2018, the District completed extensive repairs to the rock revetment along the Fripp Inlet that was heavily damaged during Hurricane Matthew. Hurricane Matthew was declared Federal disaster. As a result, the District applied for FEMA funds to help pay for the repairs, which were originally estimated to cost \$2.3 million. While awaiting a decision from FEMA, the District issued general obligation bonds to cover the project cost, negotiated a loan deal that included; the ability to pre-pay all or a portion of the bonds using anticipated FEMA funds without incurring a pre-payment penalty.

The final revetment repair was completed in April 2018, and the final cost was \$1,396,000, leaving approximately \$904,000 in the construction fund. In September 2019, the District received \$804,300 in FEMA funds, based on

PSD request for hurricane emergency relief. The FEMA funds were combined with \$800,000 of remaining construction funds and used to pre-pay a portion of the outstanding debt. As a result of this pre-payment, the District's remaining debt principal related to the revetment repair was reduced to \$603,000. The District was able to reduce the total interest cost by more than half. This resulted in a significant reduction in property taxes for PSD debt payment from the hurricane.

In January 2019, the District completed the relocation of the PSD owned 10" potable water line crossing the Harbor River bridge, in conjunction with the SC Department of Transportation's (SC DOT) planned replacement of the drawbridge built in 1934. The construction of the new DOT bridge dictated that the PSD water line had to be moved to the inland side of the existing bridge and it was installed across the river using a process called horizontal directional drilling. The project, which was estimated to cost \$3.2 million dollars, was completed, on time, for a total of \$3,036,000.

Following negotiations with the SC DOT, the PSD received \$550,000 from the SC DOT to help defray the cost of the water line relocation. These funds were used to reduce the amount borrowed by the District and prepay a portion of the relocation project debt, reducing the interest cost over the term of the loan by more than \$100,000. The pre-payment also resulted in lower debt service payments beginning in October 2019, again lowering property taxes for Fripp property owners.

COMMITTED TO SERVICE & FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

Contributed by: Angel Hughes, PSD Manager

Following two significant storms: 2016 (Hurricane Matthew) and 2017 (Hurricane Irma), that exacerbated the erosion of the channel bottom in the Fripp Inlet, JMT (<https://jmt.com/#s1>) the PSD's bridge engineers, recommended repairs to 12 of the 50 supporting structures of the Fripp Inlet bridge between Hunting Island and Fripp Island. Prior to bid solicitation, the JMT cost estimate for the repair was \$5.3 million, and a 2018 bond referendum approved the PSD borrowing up to that amount for the project. Competitive bids were received, and the winning bid was less than the voter-approved amount.

As a result, the District issued \$3.2 million in general obligation bonds for the bridge repair project, with the contract awarded to The Industrial Company (TIC). The work was scheduled to be completed before peak bridge traffic season in 2020. Work began in July 2019 and was completed in April 2020, at a total cost of \$2.9 million. With the bridge repair saving some \$300,000 over the budget, these funds will be used to complete a few final housekeeping items, such as: power washing the bridge and repainting the faded traffic lane markings. After these tasks are completed, any remaining funds will be used to lower the annual debt service cost, thereby reducing the taxes you'll pay each year for debt service payments!

All recent PSD capital projects have been completed at a substantially lower cost than expected, and that PSD negotiated funding from both Federal and South

Carolina agencies have provided significant tax reduction for needed debt. The combined tax impact of all three large projects, compared with the original estimated impact, is shown below. To calculate what you will pay for the debt service on these three projects, you should multiply each amount by the value of your home in increments of \$100,000.

Example: Mary, a non-resident, owns a home that is appraised at \$500,000. Mary divides the appraised value of her home by \$100,000 and multiplies the result by \$48.00. $500,000/100,000 = 5 \times \$48 = \$240$.

Original Estimated Cost

15.5 mills
Resident tax levy per \$100k: \$62
Non-resident tax levy per \$100k: \$93

Final Approximate Cost

8.1 mills
Resident tax levy per \$100k: \$32
Non-resident tax levy per \$100k: \$48

The District would like to thank you for your patience and support as we've worked to finish these critical infrastructure projects over the past three years. We couldn't have done it without you! If you have any questions, comments or concerns, we'd love to hear from you. You can contact us by phone at (843) 838-2400 or email at contact@fripsd.org.

Check out our Island-wide calendar: www.frippislandliving.com/events/
This is your one-stop place to see what's happening when you are on the island!

MEN'S NINE HOLE GOLF LEAGUE

Written By: Mike Wilt

From mid-April until the first week of June there were no organized games for the league due to the COVID-19 concerns. In place of any organized games, individual players signed up to play during the Wednesday morning allotted time slot and each threesome or foursome played a game within their own group. Beginning the first week of June the pro shops once again organized the teams and handicaps and play resumed as a league structure. At this point there are no special events or tournaments planned due to the pandemic.

The group enjoyed nice weather during all four of the Wednesdays in June. Games during the restarted period were Individual and Team Stableford, Bear Creek and Reverse Bear Creek.

Weekly winners were Mike Virostek and Rick Stein - twice; and Frank Golden, Ed Smith, Brian Flynn, Jim Fraser, Don Dashiell and Roy Ruskowski, once each. Closest to the pin was Steve Schnobrich, Mike Virostek, Frank Golden and Perminder Bindra.

The group will play at Ocean Creek golf course in July with first groups starting at 8:30 am and will return to Ocean Point in August. There are 40 members of the group currently with an annual dues of only \$15 per year.

The Foretees website is being used for the men's nine-hole group. To sign up to play every Wednesday morning go to the website at: <http://web.foretees.com/frippislandresort/>



Fripp Island Children's Corner

Written by: Mary Jacobs

Welcome to the first edition to the Fripp Island Children's Corner! We are delighted that you are here vacationing on the island. We would like to focus on your health and safety for our first edition.

We know things have been hard between your schools being closed and playdates being cancelled with your friends, and your schedule is different.

We have put together a few quick tips for you to help you and your family stay healthy.

1. Brush your teeth twice a day
2. Comb or brush your hair daily
3. Wash your hands often.
4. Stay at least six feet away from others. Unless it is your family. Give them a hug.
5. Take a bath and use soap
6. Remember to speak to others.
7. Eat fruit and veggies daily.
8. Wear a Mask.
9. Tell your family & friends you love them.



Did you know....

Fripp Island's history can be traced back to the 17th Century.

In 1854, the ocean broke through two places on the island to form three separate islands: Fripp, Pritchard's and Capers.

The Ocean Creek venue and the surrounding tidal marsh that was used as a film set for both Forrest Gump and Disney's The Jungle Book.

Fripp Island wildlife is made up of sea turtles, deer, alligators, snakes, raccoons, feral cats, bald eagle, owls, blue herons, snowy egrets, pelicans and another 170 species of birds!

SUMMER FISHING AND BOATING BEATS VIRUS

Written by: Captain Ralph Goodison

The Pandemic, riots and economy have given our country some of the most difficult times I have seen in my lifetime. We can be thankful we live on or visit Fripp Island. We have it all: security, golf, tennis, pools and our beautiful ocean. We also have great boating and fishing and it has been good.



Boat Sole Mate Brings Home The Bacon/Fish



Sole Mate with Captain Marjorie Mitchell and her crew took home all the honors with the largest Wahoo at 62 lbs., Dolphin at 52 lbs. and the largest Kingfish at 24.2 lbs.

Memorial Weekend Fishing had 12 boats competing for the Largest Dolphin, Wahoo and Kingfish. Everyone had a great time and Lewis Turner thanked the many that made the weekend a memorial to those that have served and died for our country.

Summer Fishing is Good!

NEAR SHORE: Drydock/ Fripp Tire Reef, Good Spanish, Blackbass, Spadefish and Shark slow, but improving Bluefish.

INSHORE: Flounder, Redfish, Whiting, Summer Trout and Shark.

Fair to Good (some days are Good, other days are Fair)

6 H I: Good Blackbass, Trigger, Grunt, Bluefish and Kingfish and Spadefish.

"ENJOY FRIPP ISLAND, IT'S NOT PERFECT BUT DARN CLOSE"

DEEP WATER STREAM: Dolphin have moved in, Kingfish Good.

FRIPP INLET: Large Lemon and Hammer Head Sharks.

Rent a Boat, Go Fishing, A Fripper Cruise, Beat the Same old Thing.



On Saturday, June 20th a full Fripper as well as 6 extra boats of FIYC members traveled to Otter Island. Fleet Captain Wendy Moore, and Assistan Fleet Captain Ken Anton organized the trip and made sure the weather was perfect and the seas were smooth and welcoming! The 47 FIYC members who attended enjoyed a delicious lunch that was prepared by Harold's Catering.

Otter Island is located just southwest Edisto Beach. There are no homes, no roads and nothing exists except nature as Mother Earth intended. The island is protected by the South Carolina Department of Natural

Resources (SCDNR) and is a part of the St. Helena Sound Heritage Preserve and Wildlife Management Area so the nearly 2,000 acres will always be a place that remains untouched by the hustle and bustle of the world.

Otter Island provides one of the few locations where marine life and other animals indigenous to the low country can go to live their lives without interference from humans. For this reason Otter Island maintains its status as one of the most active nesting locations areas for loggerhead sea turtles.

The natural landscape does have some trails carved out either from deer or other visitors, but for the most part it is just raw untouched nature!

Otter Island Trip...

Written by: Rick Marquart

Get Involved! Members can volunteer to help plan events, take photographs or fill leadership positions.

For FIYC questions contact any of the Board Members listed on the first page of our website. Let one of them know if you have questions or ideas about our Yacht Club activities, or how you would like to help.



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EGG BANK!

The FIYC will be traveling to the Egg Bank on Saturday, August 1st, 2020. Details to follow in a membership email!



BECOME A MEMBER

Become a Member! Schedule of Events, membership application, and sign-up formation for upcoming events are all available on our website: www.FrippIslandYachtClub.com

Captain Ralph's Cooking Corner
Southern Shrimp and Grits
 Serves Hungry People

- 1 cup Groun Grits
- 1 cup shredded cheddar cheese
- 1/2 Cup of milk
- 2 tsp salt and black pepper
- 1/4 cup of butter
- 1lb uncooked shrip pealed and devined
- 1/2lbs cook sausage or 4 pieces cooked bacon

01 In a sauce pan add 3 cups of water to the grits. Bring to boil.

*chefs note: you can add chicken boullion to the water to give it more flavour.

02 When grits gets correct consistency add remain-ing ingredients

03 Stir, Ready to eat when the shrimp turns pink.



Captain George on his boat Miss Leah caught this 45 lbs.Kingfish near the drydock off the Fripp beach This is one of the largest Kingfish caught in recent years.

Useful Numbers

SECURITY
 Fripp Island
843.838.2334

PSD
843.838.2400

FRIPP ISLAND Club
843.838.1528

FIPOA ADMIN
843.838.4155

RECYCLING CENTER
843.838.7277

DOMINION Energy
800.251.7234

HARGRAY
843.686.5012

POST OFFICE
843.838.4426

Bonito Boat House undergoing structure repairs caused by recent Hurricanes



Have you got an interesting story to tell which we can include in the next newsletter? Email us at communications@frippislandliving.com

FRIPP ISLAND SEA RESCUE

The entire low country is a great place for boating and other water activities. Fripp is a perfect example of a great boating destination. Our pristine marshes, long sand beaches and bright, star-spangled nights are inviting for everyone on the Island. July 4th week may be the peak season, but late summer and early fall bring boaters cooler temperatures and clear skies.



WATER SAFETY:

As you plan your boating, beach or pool activities please keep safety at the top of your priority list. This article provides some suggestions for safety anywhere around the water. We would rather meet you one afternoon enjoying the Island than when you call Fripp Security or 911 for assistance.

- **Take Water, Snacks and your Cell Phone.** Planning just a short afternoon outing on your boat? Take plenty of water, a snack, sunblock and a cell phone just in case you are delayed. Life Jackets for everyone on the boat is a must-do. Not only are life jackets required by the USCG they can be a life saver if the weather turns bad.



- **Watch the Weather.** South Carolina weather is fickle. Beautiful all week, then intermittent evening thunder storms can pop up with little warning. and on the Island we may hardly notice. On the water or the beach, head home before you are in a downpour with lightning overhead. Check the weather forecasts and keep an eye on the sky.

- **Plenty of gas?** Don't leave home without it! Fill up so you have enough for the round trip, plus extra – just in case.



- **Sand Bars.** Just off our beach, the sand bars are a beautiful and unique habitat. At low tide the sand bar extends into the ocean, but the returning tide can come in very quickly.

Don't let small children or non-swimmers go out on the sand bar by themselves. Go with them and take your cell phone.

No pockets? Phone's not waterproof? A zip lock bag can protect the phone and provides a place to carry sea shells.

- **Know your Location.** If you are boating, let someone know where you are going, when you plan to get back and a cell phone number to call if you are late. Your cell phone also provides location information to 911 operators so it is a lot easier to find you in these wide-open spaces.

- **At Night Take Particular Care.** As the sun goes down it is more difficult to see the dock, other boats, or the shore line in the marsh. At dusk, slow down and have everyone pay attention to the surroundings and be alert. It is best to come up to the dock very slowly to avoid any damage or injury. Until safely docked, leave your navigation lights on to help others see your boat.

All docks and the fueling area are a no-wake zone, slow and careful at all times.



For more information:

There are on-line apps for your phone or computer with maps, weather, radar and GPS location. Download and practice using them well before you start an outing.

Check Coast Guard Auxiliary and South Carolina DNR web sites for boating safety and on-line boating courses they offer.

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TRAINING UPDATE:

Sea Rescue training is an ongoing activity, all year long. We now use a mix of on the water training, small group classes and virtual training using technology and documentation. This limits large groups and makes training available to all members on their schedule.

Helicopter Training with the US Coast Guard in the Fripp Inlet occurs monthly, based on the needs of the Coast Guard. Please avoid any area where the helicopters are operating. Day or night, there may be swimmers in the water. In a boat, stay well away from the area and follow instructions from the Sea Rescue Boat Crew if they ask you to move farther away.

Helo training is for the mutual benefit of the USCG and Fripp Island Sea Rescue, to keep both organizations ready to help in a water emergency.



If you have concerns about helicopter activity near Fripp call Fripp Island Security.

To Report a Water Emergency : Dial 911 for Beaufort County Dispatch



FRIPP ISLAND REAL ESTATE UPDATE JUNE 30, 2020



For real estate assistance please contact:

Charles Patty, Listing Agent/Sales Agent/Broker
FRIPP ISLAND REAL ESTATE COMPANY
Telephone: 843-597-1170;
Email: charlesp@frippislandrealestate.com.

If your property is listed with another Realtor,
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Advertise in the Trawler!

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Monthly, Bi Annual and Annual
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If interested, email us a:
communications@frippislandliving.com

Architectural Review Board

Every first and third Thursday of the month
at 8:30AM the FIPOA
Architectural Review Board meets.

Considering repainting your home or are you a new
owner? Visit our ARB Page under owner resources to
view colors at:

<https://frippislandliving.com/owners-resources/arb/>

FRIPP ISLAND REAL ESTATE UPDATE June 30, 2020

The following figures from MLS compare year-to-date sales on
Frapp Island from January 1st through June 30th each year.

SOLD as of June 30th	2018	2019	2020
Homesites	8	8	0
Condos	7	11	12
Homes	38	36	50
Total	53	55	62

AVERAGE SOLD PRICE	2018	2019	2020
Homesites	\$105,750	\$133,125	N/A
Condos	\$207,571	\$170,682	\$304,444
Homes	\$516,635	\$494,029	\$509,162
Homes avg. per sq. ft.	\$212	\$214	\$233
Homes avg. days on market	374 days	291 days	366 days

UNDER CONTRACT/PENDING as of June 30th

Year:	2018	2019	2020
Homesites	4	4	10
Condos	8	3	2
Homes	20	7	25
Total	32	14	37

NUMBER OF ACTIVE LISTINGS on June 30th

Year:	2018	2019	2020
Homesites	116	135	114
Condos	39	38	18
Homes	133	122	76
Total	288	295	208



COMPUTING WHILE QUARANTINED

Written by: Carl Koellman

In the last article, I mentioned the computing
equipment I use. Since then, I bought a couple of
USB hard drives to become part of my data back-
up strategy. It's called the 3-2-1 Rule. Peter Krogh
came up with it for two groups of people: those
who already had a file storage failure, and those
who will have one in the future. P.S. : If you have a
computer you fall into one or both group.

3-2-1 Rule.

I will mention some tools to protect you while you
are sheltering in place, and doing more on your
computer than ever before. First up is that 3-2-1
Rule. What it means is you make three copies of
your data for protection. The copies are stored
on two different types of storage media, and one
copy is sent offsite. Now your information is
protected no matter what happens. Here is my
current plan:

1) Those two hard drives I bought? My impor-
tant data is copied to one drive (I use File His-
tory, which is available in Windows 7,8,10) and is
stored somewhere safe if the house burns down.
Right now in the drive is in my workshop, but I'll
move it to the home of a friend shortly. Every
week I swap drives and dump the same data to the
other drive, and it goes offsite. This way, I always
have an offsite backup that's never more than one
week old.

2) The second copy of my data goes to a NAS or
Network Attached Storage device, in my case a
QNAP brand computer.

3) The third copy goes up to the cloud; I use
Onedrive. There are lots of cloud storage options:
Carbon Copy, Dropbox, Amazon S3, Spider Oak,
and more. The important thing about that hard
drive in the workshop or a friend's house is it isn't
hooked up to anything. If ransomware attacks you,
it can't get to those hard drives and corrupt your
data. It might compromise any data that it can get
to from your computer. If you can get to it over
your network or the Internet, ransomware might
too. Cloud storage solutions often include data
encryption, so check with the vendor to see if they
offer protection against ransomware.

So, now you have data protection under control.
What else?

Viruses & malware: I know you are tired of hear-
ing it, but run some kind of protection software.



I use both the built-in Windows Defender (free with
Windows) and Malwarebytes Premium. Defender is
free and effective. Apple has excellent products for its
environment too, including Malwarebytes.

Internet Exposure: If you don't want the bad actors
to harm you, they have to find you. Running a VPN
(Virtual Private Network) software product on your
computer or router helps hide you. There you are,
sitting at your
computer on Frapp Island, and hackers think you are
in Portland, Maine or Ukraine. A good VPN is
inexpensive (mine is \$59/year). I run it on my wireless
router, so every computer on my network is shielded.
There is a side benefit. If, for example, you have a
streaming
service that offers a show only to people in the UK,
connect to a VPN server in the UK. Voilà, now you can
watch that show on Frapp.

Social Protection: You've probably seen it already.
People are coming out of the woodwork, offering you
any number of products guaranteed to protect you
from the virus,
enhance your sex life, or making sure you're getting
enough cheese. Clicking on a link in these offers can
get you in hot water. Please don't do it. Pull up a
browser and do your own search for such products.

That's it for now. Stay safe, practice social distancing,
and have fun slaying the dragons.



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FRIPP ISLAND SECURITY



NEW EMPLOYEE!

The Fripp Island Security Department welcomes Dyana Watts to our staff. Dyana is originally from Philadelphia Pa, and currently lives in Hampton, SC with her husband Lamar and her children, ages 14 to 23.

Dyana previously worked for 10 years in the SC Department of Corrections as an officer, attaining the rank of Sergeant.

Her husband Lamar is retired US Navy and now works at the Navel Hospital in Beaufort. Their oldest son recently enlisted in the US Army and is in basic training. A true military family, Dyana's mom served in the Army and was active duty and deployed during Desert Storm.

Dyana enjoys gardening and taking care of her family.

We are pleased and proud to have Dyana as a member of our Fripp Island Security family.

HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS

During these unprecedented times, it is important to remember: **DISASTERS WON'T WAIT.** Hurricanes can pose a serious threat to both your life and property. These natural disasters produce winds ranging from 74 to 200 miles per hour. A storm with that much power can cause catastrophic damage and severe flooding. Weather can be unpredictable, so it's vital to have a hurricane safety plan in place for your business, your home and your family.

Tropical Storms have already been named this year, and FEMA AND NOAA can't predict what will be the next named hurricane to impact the mid-Atlantic in 2020.

It's important that you plan a safe evacuation route that will take you 20-50 miles inland. Contact your local emergency management office or American Red Cross chapter, and ask for the community's emergency preparedness plan. In addition, take the time to discuss your plan with any family members, friends or coworkers so that everyone is on the same page if a natural disaster happens to strike.

Our **PREPARING FOR A STORM** documents are available under owner resources on the website along with other helpful information.

In the event of a Tropical Storm and/or Hurricane you can expect to hear from your FIPOA Staff with regular updates via email.

WILDLIFE SPOTLIGHT

MAGNETS

To help raise awareness and educate our guests and new homeowners to Fripp Island, we have redesigned the Alligator magnet. If you would like to have one, or are a property owner that rents individually and not through an property management organization, we have magnets available.

* if you have multiple properties, please send your magnet request to communications@



ALLIGATORS

KEEP CHILDREN AND PETS AWAY FROM THE EDGES OF ALL LAGOONS.

DID YOU KNOW?

You can expect to find alligators in our lagoons, but did you know we have alligators in the standing water on our beach?

While visiting Fripp Island, please keep away from all lagoons, ponds and standing water (tidal pools) especially on our beach. There is no fishing, crabbing, swimming or wading in these waters. Just because you cannot see an alligator, it does not mean that one is not there.

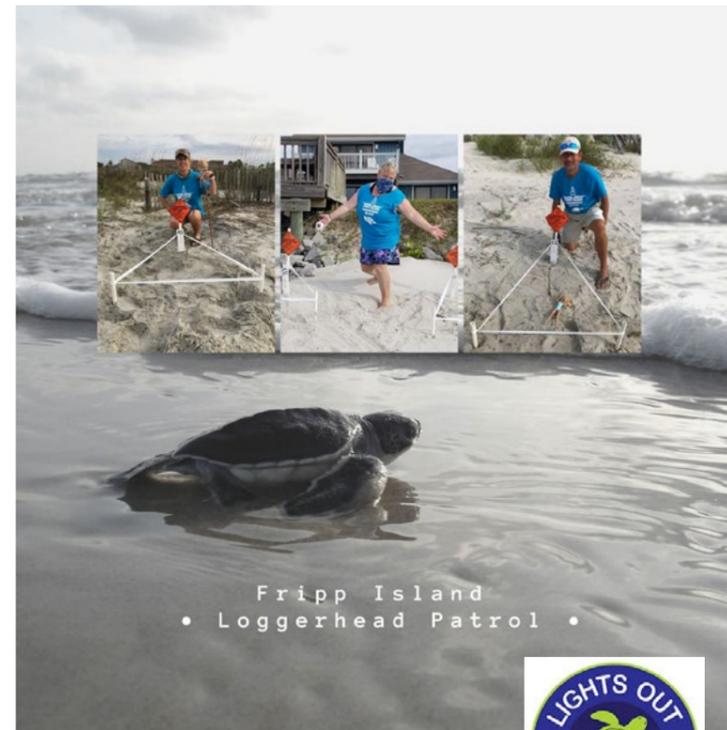
For your own safety, please keep yourself, children and pets away from our lagoons, and pay extra attention to alligator presence on the beach.

DO NOT FEED THE ALLIGATORS.

Feeding or harassing alligators is dangerous and illegal. Once fed, the alligator connects humans with food and loses its fear of them.

If you witness anyone feeding or harassing alligators, please contact Fripp Island Security at 843.838.2334.

VIOLATORS WILL BE SUBJECT TO SCDNR FINES UP TO \$200.00 or 30 DAYS IN JAIL.



Fripp Island
• Loggerhead Patrol •



Fripp Island Loggerhead Patrol

2020 started off a little slow, keeping us about a dozen nests behind 2019, but around the new moon/full moon cycles, the girls started getting active. We had 8 nests one June morning, but working together, we managed to get all our work done before 9:00AM. We have also had females nesting on our sandbar, which is only accessible when the tide is out.

Keep in mind, due to COVID19, SCDNR has directed patrol to work in isolation, so no guests are allowed to walk along with patrol and there are no public inventories allowed this year.

PLEASE REMEMBER LIGHTS OUT ON THE BEACH FROM MAY 1ST TO OCTOBER 31ST. Flash photography or any kind of white light distracts nesting females and hatchlings and can make them go the wrong way. Red light filters (available in Springtide Market) on flashlights or red light filter apps on the phone are best, once your eyes get accustomed to that light, you can see perfectly! Thank you for caring about the sea turtles, we appreciate it!



The Great Egret

Identified by its yellow beak and black legs, During the breeding season, the adult great egret produces long feathery plumes that grow from its back, called aigretts.

During courtship displays the egrets will hold them up. Keep an eye out and your camera ready. The island is full of rookeries.

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